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Johnson et al.

Serial No.: 09/474,980

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Filed: December 29, 1999

Group Art Unit 1643

For: Persephin And Related Growth Factors

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This paper is submitted as a preliminary amendment to correct for unintentional errors in the citation of sequence identification numbers in the written description, to amend errors in the sequence listing, and to present new claims that more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which is the subject of the invention. The amendments presented herein contain no new subject matter and are fully supported by the application-as-filed. The applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments and remarks be entered in the above-identified application.

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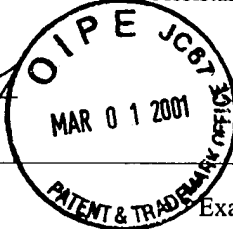
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDED FEE
TOTAL	28	20	8	\$18.00	\$144.00
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TOTAL FEES FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS					\$144.00

A petition for a month extension of time is enclosed.

☒ If an extension or an additional extension of time is required, but is not enclosed, please consider this a conditional petition therefor and charge Deposit Account 18-1829 accordingly.

☒ A check in the amount of \$144.00 is attached.

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